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O Fill if subject never used alcohol and continue with next assessment

The following statements describe different reason people might have for deciding whether to drink or not drink alcohol (beer, wine, liquor). Listen as I read each statement to you and rate how important that reason is to you at the present time in deciding whether or not to drink alcohol. Please rate your level of importance on the following 5-point scale. 1 = Not important at all, 2 = Slightly important, 3 = Moderately important, 4 = Very important, and 5 = Extremely important. Your rating should reflect how important the statement is in your decision about whether to drink at the present time.

How important is this to you in making a decision about drinking?	Not important at all (1)	Slightly important (2)	Moderately important (3)	Very important (4)	Extremely important (5)	
1) I don't worry about things as much when I drink	0	0	0	0	0	0
2) Drinking helps me feel more comfortable around other people.	0	0	0	0	0	0
3) My drinking causes problems with others.	0	0	0	0	0	0
4) I like myself better when I drink.	0	0	0	0	0	0
5) When I'm drinking, I feel like I can do anything.	0	0	0	0	0	0
6) Drinking helps me deal with problems.	0	0	0	0	0	0
7) Having to lie to others about my drinking bothers me.	0	0	0	0	0	0
8) Drinking is bad for my physical health.	0	0	0	0	0	0
9) Some people try to avoid me when I drink.	0	0	0	0	0	0
10) I could get into trouble with the police because of my drinking.	0	0	0	0	0	0
11) Because of my drinking, I could have to be rehospitalized.	0	0	0	0	0	0
12) Drinking has a bad effect on my medication(s).	0	0	0	0	0	0
13) I seem to get myself into trouble when drinking.	0	0	0	0	0	0
14) Drinking makes me feel less lonely.	0	0	0	0	0	0
15) I could accidentally hurt someone because of my drinking.	0	0	0	0	0	0
16) Drinking makes my mental illness worse.	0	0	0	0	0	0
17) Not drinking at a social gathering would make me feel too different	0	0	0	0	0	0
18) Drinking helps give me energy and keeps me going.	0	0	0	0	0	0
19) I am more sure of myself when drinking.	0	0	0	0	0	0
20) I make bad decisions when I drink.	0	0	0	0	0	0
21) Without drinking my life would be dull and boring.	0	0	0	0	0	0
22) People seem to like me better when I drink.	0	0	0	0	0	0

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